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Examiner: Christopher A. Flory

Title: Optimizing Pitch and Other Speech Stimuli Allocation in a Cochlear

**Implant** 

Docket No.: AB-389U Customer No.: 23845

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **Amendment A**

Dear Examiner:

This amendment responds to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2006 for the subject application, in which Claims 1-6, 10-15, 17-22 and 24-26 were rejected; and Claims 7-9, 16 and 23 were objected to.

By way of the present amendment, Applicants have amended the specification to correct inadvertent typographical errors and amended the Abstract as suggested by the Examiner. No new matter has been introduced by way of these amendments. Further, Applicants have also amended Claims 1, 5-6, 8-9, 13, 21 and 24; canceled Claims 4, 7, 10-12, 14-20, 23 and 25-26; and added Claim 27-39. Twenty-four (24) claims remain pending in the application: Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-9, 13, 21-22, 24 and 27-39, of which Claims 1, 8, 9, 13 and 21 are independent.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2;

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 4 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5; and

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Amendment A

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